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## **Traffic shifts to right-hand side of Ogden Road bridge on Deerfoot Trail in Calgary**

**Calgary...** Motorists are advised that traffic has shifted to the right-hand side of the northbound Ogden Road flyover bridge to accommodate the bridge deck overlay project.

The left-hand side of the bridge will be closed to traffic while at least two narrower lanes (3.0 and 3.5-metre widths, respectively) will remain open at all times on the right-hand side. The closures accommodate a concrete overlay of the bridge deck. The bridge carries Deerfoot Trail over Ogden Road, the Western Irrigation District Canal, and the CP Rail tracks. The speed limit is reduced to 50 km/h through the construction zone. The Ogden Road bridge project will be completed by Aug. 5, weather permitting.

Once the Ogden Road bridge project is completed, the contractor will begin an overlay of the northbound Calf Robe Bridge that carries Deerfoot Trail over the Bow River. During construction, one lane will be closed while at least two narrower lanes (3.0 and 3.5-metre widths, respectively) will remain open at all times. The speed limit will be reduced to 50 km/h through the construction zone. The Calf Robe Bridge project will be completed by Oct. 15, weather permitting.

The two projects, worth a combined \$3.3 million, do not affect southbound Deerfoot Trail traffic.

The City of Calgary and Alberta Transportation will be working together to keep Calgarians on the move during these lane closures. Signal timing adjustments will be made on the alternate routes including Macleod Trail and Barlow Trail and will remain in place for the duration of the Deerfoot Trail lane reductions. The City's Traffic Management Centre will continue to monitor traffic flow and make necessary adjustments on alternate routes as traffic patterns adjust to the Deerfoot Trail lane closures.

Motorists should use caution in the area and obey all signs, message boards, and flag people. Motorists are reminded that fines for speeding are doubled through construction zones when workers are present.

Visit [www.transportation.alberta.ca/drftom-gp.htm](http://www.transportation.alberta.ca/drftom-gp.htm) for more information about Deerfoot Trail projects.

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